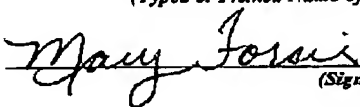
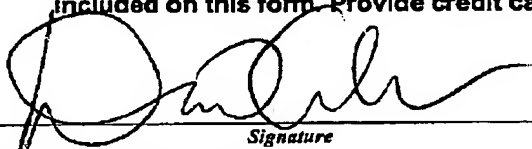
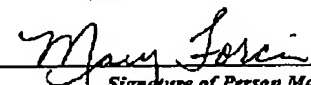


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In response to the office action dated June 29, 2004, and consistent with the June 22, 2004, telephone conversation between the Examiner and Applicant's Attorney, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Species A, Figures 1-4, *with traverse*.

Furthermore, this response is made under 37 CFR §1.111, wherein Applicant requests reconsideration and entry in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

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